



Application Serial No.: 10/954,838
Attorney Docket No.: 8S08.1-162
PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: JONES, Keith D.)	
Serial No.: ⁰⁹ 10/954,838)	Art Group: 3634
Filed: September 12, 2001)	Examiner: CHIN-SHUE, A.
For: "ADJUSTABLE SAFETY LINE")	Confirmation No.: 8157
<hr/>		

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

GARDNER GROFF, P.C.
2018 Powers Ferry Road
Suite 800
Atlanta, GA 30339

October 17, 2005

Sir:

The attached form PTOSB/08A lists a reference submitted in compliance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56. Applicant became aware of the listed reference when it was cited during the prosecution of a related, divisional application, namely Application Serial No. 10/982,033. Consideration of the cited documents and making the same of record in the prosecution of the above-noted application are respectfully requested.

Pursuant to the United States Patent and Trademark Office O.G. Notice of August 5, 2003, copies of U.S. patents and published patent applications are no longer required to be submitted with information disclosure statements for patent applications filed after June 30, 2003. Therefore, a copy of the U.S. patent document is not enclosed.

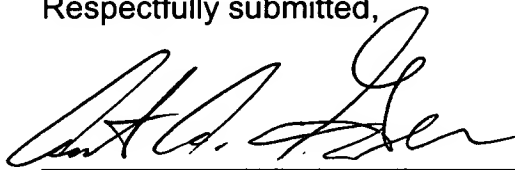
The filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed as a representation that a search has been made (37 C.F.R. § 1.97 (g)), an admission that the information cited is, or is considered to be, material to the patentability (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(h)) or statutory prior art, or that no other material information exists. The filing of this

09
Application Serial No.: 40/954,838
Attorney Docket No.: 8S08.1-162
PATENT

Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed as an admission against interest in any manner (Notice of January 9, 1992, 1135 O.G. 13-25, at 25).

The requisite fee of \$180.00 is enclosed. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees due or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-1513.

Respectfully submitted,



Arthur A. Gardner
Registration No. 33,887

Customer #23506
GARDNER GROFF, P.C.
2018 Powers Ferry Road
Suite 800
Atlanta, Georgia 30339
Tel: 770/984-2300
Fax: 770/984-0098

Certificate of Mailing (37 C.F.R. §1.8)

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the date indicated below.



Alicia Howell

10/17/05

Date

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(Use as many sheets as necessary)

Sheet	1	of	1
-------	---	----	---

Complete if Known

Application Number	40/954,838
Filing Date	September 12, 2002
First Named Inventor	JONES, Keith D.
Art Unit	8834
Examiner Name	CHIN SHUE, Alvin C.
Attorney Docket Number	8S08.1-162

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

[illegible]

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

[illegible]

**Examiner
Signature**

Date
Considered

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. ¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option 2.